GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
LOK SABHA

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PURCHASE PREFERENCE POLICY
Jha Shri Raghunath

Will the Minister of PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to extend purchase preference to Kendriya Bhandar on the lines of public sector undertakings since the Government has invested money in its share capital;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether Kendriya Bhandar in violation of its bye-laws under Multi-State Co-operative Societies (MSCS) Act, 2002 has enrolled employees of private sector as its shareholders/members;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether an existing shareholder on retirement from service/death cannot remain its member; and

(g) if so, the action taken to remove such persons from the membership of the Bhandar, before holding the election?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS.(SHRI SURESH PACHOURI)

(a) to (c): Ministry of Finance has proposed a formulation for grant of special dispensation to Kendriya Bhandar and NCCF etc. subject to fulfillment of certain conditions.

(d) & (e): Kendriya Bhandar has reported that as on 31.3.2006, there are 82056 individual shareholders of the Society and in view of the substantially large number of shareholders, it is likely to take some time to verify whether the Society has enrolled employees of Private Sector as its shareholders/members.

(f) & (g): As per Bye-law 5(iii) of the Society, an existing shareholder, on retirement from service, would become Associate Member. However, he would not be entitled for voting right nor would he be eligible for election Delegate/Elected Director. As regards membership of the shareholder in the event of his death, the byelaws provide that his nominee or successor may get his (deceased) shares transferred in his name provided he is qualified under the byelaws of the Society or alternatively be paid the value of his shares less any amount due from him/her to the Society. All efforts are made, on the basis of available record, to remove the name of shareholders who have retired from the list of the shareholders who are eligible to vote for the election.